NOTICE OF A CITIZENS INFORMATIONAL WORKSHOP FOR THE PROPOSED CLOSURE OF THE NASH STREET / MARIGOLD STREET CSX RAILROAD CROSSING IN ROCKY MOUNT

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Nash and Edgecombe Counties

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) will hold the above Citizens Informational Workshop on Tuesday, May 5, 2009 between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. at the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic School – Parish Hall / Cafeteria located at 315 Hammond Street, Rocky Mount, 27804.

NCDOT representatives will be available in an informal setting to answer questions and receive comments regarding the proposed rail crossing closure project. The opportunity to submit written comments or questions will be provided. Interested citizens may attend at any time during the above mentioned hours. <u>Please note</u>: there will be no formal presentation.

NCDOT proposes to close the at-grade crossing of Nash / Marigold Street and make improvements in the vicinity of the crossing. Proposed improvements include: the installation of curb and gutter on the east and west sides of the railroad track, extension of the existing brick wall on both sides of the track, and placement of pavement markings indicating the new traffic pattern on Nash / Marigold and Main Streets. Also, the existing railroad gates will be relocated to the West Avenue railroad crossing to improve safety at that crossing. The proposed closure of the Nash / Marigold Street railroad crossing is part of an effort to reduce the number of redundant and/or unsafe rail-highway at-grade crossings statewide.

Anyone desiring additional information may contact Marc Hamel, Environmental & Planning Branch, Rail Division at 1553 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1553, phone (919) 733-7245 x 270, or email mhamel@ncdot.gov.

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who wish to participate in this workshop. Anyone requiring special services should contact Mr. Hamel as early as possible so that arrangements can be made.